

**EDWARD A. KAPLAN**  
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**Colorado Springs, CO 80906**

**EDUCATION**

2009	Air War College
2007	PhD in History, University of Calgary ( <i>Fields: Military/Diplomatic History, Modern American History, International Relations Theory</i> ) <i>Dissertation Title: Making Doctor Strangelove: Strategy in the Air-Atomic Age</i>
2001	West Point Military History Fellowship
1996	Intelligence Technical Training
1995	MA in History, University of Calgary ( <i>Field: Military/Diplomatic History</i> )
1994	BS in History, United States Air Force Academy

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2010-Present	Department of History, United States Air Force Academy Professor, 2015-Present Associate Professor, 2012-2015 Assistant Professor, 2010-2012 Senior Military Faculty, 2012-2015 (until selection for O-6)
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Courses Taught and Directed

History 100, Introduction to Military History (Summer)  
History 100S, Introduction to Military History (Scholars)  
History 302, Introduction to Military History  
History 330, Historiography and Historical Methods  
History 332, American Foreign Policy  
History 352, Modern American History  
History 457, History of Military Thought (Capstone)

2000-2003	Department of History, United States Air Force Academy Assistant Professor, 2002-2003 Instructor, 2000-2001
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Courses Taught and Directed:

History 101, Introduction to World History (Taught)  
History 202Y, Introduction to Military History (Experimental)  
History 202, Introduction to Military History  
History 332, American Foreign Policy  
History 495, The Cold War  
(designed, but deployed before semester)

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Book Chapter**

Kaplan, Edward A. "Peace Through Strength Alone." In *Milestones in Strategic Arms Control, 1945-2000*, 25–49. Maxwell AFB, Alabama: Air University Press, 2002.

### **Books**

Kaplan, Edward A. *To Kill Nations: American Strategy in the Air-Atomic Age and the Rise Of Mutually Assured Destruction*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 2015.

Kaplan, Edward A., ed. *Atlas for Introduction to Military History*. New Hyde Park, NY: Square One, 2012.

— — —. *High Flight: History of the U.S. Air Force Academy*. Military History Symposium Series of the United States Air Force Academy v. 11. Chicago, IL: Imprint Publications, 2011.

### **Articles**

Kaplan, Edward. "Transitional Fossils of the Atomic Age: Regulus and Sea Master" *Journal of Military and Strategic Studies* [Online], Volume 15 Number 3 (2 June 2014).

— — —. "Cold War." In *Encyclopedia of War & American Society*, edited by Peter Karsten. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2006.

— — —. "Dr. Strangelove." In *Encyclopedia of War & American Society*, edited by Peter Karsten. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications, 2006.

— — —. "Postwar Royal Air Force." In *The Encyclopedia of the Cold War: A Political, Social, and Military History*, edited by Spencer Tucker. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2008.

— — —. "Submarine Launched Ballistic Missile." In *The Encyclopedia of the Cold War: A Political, Social, and Military History*, edited by Spencer Tucker. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2008.

### **Other**

*[I was specifically chosen to write both of the documents listed in this section because of my academic training and skills as a historian and writer. The ability to research from disparate sources, weave together a coherent narrative, and*

*communicate it to an audience is an essential skill of both the historian and intelligence officer.]*

- *Joint Campaign Plan 2010 for Iraq.* [I was the primary author of roughly one-third of the base plan for Iraq that covered the period from 2010 to the end of the campaign. The section I wrote summarized the campaign to that point, and set the stage for a discussion of the Responsible Drawdown. Furthermore, I edited the remainder of the document, including all the annexes. The Ambassador and Multi-National Forces-Iraq commander subsequently approved the document that was then widely distributed throughout the theater and in the U.S. national security community. It served as the basis of planning for the final two years of the Iraq campaign.]
- *Surge Article.* [I wrote an article, originally intended for *Joint Forces Quarterly*, which was to be jointly bylined with General Ray Odierno, then-commander of Multi-National Forces-Iraq, and currently Army Chief of Staff. The article drew on classified and unclassified sources regarding the 2007 surge, as well as extensive interviews with commanders. General Odierno chose to defer publication because of the delicate strategic situation in late 2009, when the article was to have appeared.]
- Referee for Global War Studies journal
- Peer Reviewer for Oxford University Press
- Member of Editorial Board for West Point History Department Military Art Textbook Revision

## **MILITARY ASSIGNMENTS**

2015-Present	<p>Department of History <b>Professor and Head</b> U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commands the Department of History; 30 military and civilian faculty teaching 48 courses to 2,600+ cadets per year</li><li>• Directs execution of 44 courses; supervises 19 officers &amp; 8 civilian professors in pedagogy, course administration &amp; cadet assessment</li><li>• Directs Scholars Military History &amp; Modern American History</li></ul>
2014-2015	<p>Dean of Faculty <b>Director, Commander's Action Group</b> U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Directly supports Dean of the Faculty on time-sensitive and high-profile operational and planning projects</li></ul>

- Establishes documentation for and implements Dean's strategic policies, communications, integration plans and PA efforts for 761-person unit
- 2010-2014      Department of History  
**Department Head**, Fall 2013  
**Deputy Department Head**, 2011-2014  
**Deputy for Military History**, 2010-2011  
 U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado
- Commanded the Department of History; 30 military and civilian faculty teaching 48 courses to 2,600+ cadets per year
  - Directed execution of 44 courses; supervises 19 officers & 8 civilian professors in pedagogy, course administration & cadet assessment
  - Directed Scholars Military History & History of Military Thought capstone; educated & led 40 cadets
  - DF Corona Lead; Associate Air Officer Commanding Cadet Squadron 24; Honor Officer; DF Award Committee member; Cadet Awards Committee chair; Officer-in-Charge, Chess Club
- 2010      Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington DC  
**Senior Editor**  
 Daily Intelligence Briefing for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
- Selectively manned joint assignment at the Department of Defense level; provided daily intelligence briefings to the Secretary of Defense, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Joint Staff
  - Led 40 personnel in production of substantive, timely intelligence on issues supporting national defense decision-makers
  - Led Haiti crisis response team; harmonized analyst inputs to production—shaped effort in Op UNIFIED RESPONSE
- 2009      Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq  
**Special Assistant to the Deputy Commanding General**
- Transformed Iraq Joint Campaign Plan; crafted superb Iraq transition guide—kept Responsible Drawdown on track
- 2009      Multi-National Force-Iraq, Baghdad, Iraq  
**Speechwriter to the Commanding General**
- Flawlessly formulated Commanding General's views of Iraq into weekly report for Secretary of Defense and President—essential input for national strategy
- 2008-2009      Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington DC  
**Executive Officer**, Director for Intelligence

- J2 Executive Staff liaison to Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Secretary of Defense, Director of National Intelligence, Undersecretary of Defense (Intelligence), Joint Staff, Combatant Commands, and Military Services
- Directed 250+ action officers in providing time-sensitive J2/Defense Intelligence Agency crisis intelligence to the President, Secretary of Defense, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff & Congress
- Responsible for Directorate leaders' executive support; coordinated J2 staff actions with intelligence community & Joint Staff

2007-2008

Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington DC

**Assistant Deputy Director for Intelligence**

- Provided critical 24-hr, fused all-source current/crisis intelligence support to Intelligence Community, Joint Staff Secretary of Defense, & White House
- Expertly managed 25-member team on 8-hour rotating shifts in National Military Command Center; provided crucial current & crisis intelligence updates
- Presented daily briefs of significant events/crisis developments to senior Office of the Secretary of Defense/Joint Staff leaders, represents J2 during non-duty hours
- Oversaw Joint Chiefs of Staff/J2 delegated management of the Defense Indications and Warning System for the Department of Defense and Intelligence Community, monitoring 40+ Indications & Warning problems for the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

2007

Joint Staff, Pentagon, Washington DC

**Strategic Planner**

- Drafted intelligence input to National Military Strategy for the War on Terror; astutely linked intelligence to Global War On Terror

2004-2007

University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada

**Doctoral Candidate**

- *Major Field:* Diplomatic and Military History
- *Minor Field:* American History
- *Cognate Field:* International Relations Theory

2003-2004

607 Air Intelligence Squadron, Osan AB, Korea

**Readiness Flight Commander**

- Led flight of 12 people, directing 7 AF planning for 607th Air Intelligence Group joint/combined contingencies/exercises for two multi-discipline intelligence squadrons composed of 550 people supporting air combat operations/air operations center

- Planned ACC intelligence efforts in Joint Chiefs of Staff command post and field training exercises and Peninsula Operational Readiness Exercises
- Oversaw all Air Component Command Operations Plans/directives for intelligence
- Led Air Intelligence Group Exercise Control Team White Cell & Evaluation
- Directed 7 AF intelligence activities supporting two fighter wings and bed-down requirements for 80+ units deploying to South Korea during war

2000-2003

History Department, United States Air Force Academy, CO

**Assistant Professor**

- Directed history core course, Introduction to Military History, with 545 students
- Responsible for syllabus construction, course policies, lesson preparation, and evaluation
- Course Director for two upper-division history courses with 40 students
- Directed over 140 cadets and 30 instructors as the History Department's Advisor-in-Charge (AIC)
- Ensured majors met graduation requirements
- Department liaison to the Office of the Registrar; approved all history major academic plans
- Associate Air Officer Commanding (AAOC) and Associate Air Officer Commanding for Academics (AAOCA) for Cadet Squadron-14

2002

Combined Task Force – Fervent Archer, Sarajevo, Bosnia

**Deputy Director of Intelligence**

- Deployed as CJ2 for largest Balkan military operation since 1999; coordinated Joint and multinational intelligence assets in rapidly developing operational crisis, resulted in confiscation of 2 tons of illegal arms
- Intelligence efforts helped capture one of the most wanted Bosnian-Serb criminals

2000

Combined Air Operations Center, Vicenza, Italy

**NATO J2 Intelligence Fusion/Unit Support Chief**

- Created first NATO targeting tool integrated with US intelligence data feeds, provide critical mission data to all NATO allies
- Persistent advocate for southern tier operations; led acquisition fight to procure 20-fold bandwidth increase for primary intelligence network; ensured real-time connectivity to EUCOM and Pentagon planners

- Synergistically applied intelligence experience and system knowledge to develop first-ever NATO time critical-targeting management database; system integrated into Flex Targeting Standard Operating Procedures
- 1998-2000
- Misawa Cryptologic Operations Center, Misawa AB, Japan  
**Watch Officer/Flight Commander**, Baker Flight
- Responsible for effective watch operations and administration of 130 tri-service enlisted personnel and one officer at the Misawa Cryptologic Operations Center, Air Intelligence Agency's largest field site
  - Managed physical plant and resources valued at over \$1 billion to accomplish mission objectives in support of the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and space operations
  - Directed time-sensitive analysis and reporting through one reporting center and 19 work centers in support of tactical commanders and national-level consumers
  - Conducted mission and situational briefing for the commander and visiting dignitaries
  - In the commander's absence, directed the unit emergency actions procedures
- 1996-1998
- 9<sup>th</sup> Intelligence Squadron, Beale AFB, California  
**Officer-in-Charge**, Squadron Systems and Plans 1997-1998  
**Officer-in-Charge**, Combat Intelligence Flight, Systems and Mobility 1996-1997
- Managed squadron small computer hardware and software, Local Area Network (LAN) issues, secure systems, and connectivity and trailing Acquires and maintains operational connectivity to Secure Internet Protocol Router Network and Joint Worldwide Intelligence Communication System data networks.
  - Served as Combat Intelligence Officer during exercise and contingencies
  - Supported U-2 operations at worldwide detachments as deployed intelligence
  - Ensured mobility preparedness and capability of computer systems
- 1997
- Operating Location France, Istres AB, France  
**Intelligence Officer**
- As the sole intelligence officer assigned, provided threat assessments, pre-mission support, and post-mission debriefings for deployed U-2
- 1996
- Detachment 1, RAF Akrotiri, Cyprus  
**Intelligence Officer**

- As the sole intelligence officer assigned, provided threat assessments, pre-mission support, and post-mission debriefings for deployed U-2 pilots in support of Project OLIVE HARVEST

1995-1996      315<sup>th</sup> Training Squadron, Goodfellow AFB, Texas  
**Student**, Intelligence Training

1994-1995      University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada  
**Graduate Student**

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

Phi Alpha Theta  
 Society for Military History  
 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations

## **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

Defense Meritorious Service Medal (x2)  
 Meritorious Service Medal (x3)  
 Joint Service Commendation Medal (x4)  
 Air Force Commendation Medal  
 Joint Service Achievement Medal  
 McDermott Award for Research Excellence, 2015  
 Shiner Award for Excellence in Teaching Military History, 2014  
 Outstanding Academy Educator, 2003  
 Company Grade Officer of the Year, Humanities Division, 2002  
 Distinguished Graduate, Intelligence Training

## **PROMOTIONS**

2015	Colonel
2009-2015	Lieutenant Colonel
2004-2009	Major
1998-2004	Captain
1996-1998	First Lieutenant
1994-1996	Second Lieutenant